

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2372 - HB 3034

March 5, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes an arrested person to accept a citation and agree to appear at the arresting law enforcement agency after a finding of guilt by the court to be booked and processed rather than prior to trial. If the person cited fails to appear in court on the date and time specified or fails to appear for booking and processing after a finding of guilty by the court, the court shall issue a bench warrant for such person's arrest. Current law provides that the defendant shall appear for booking and processing prior to trial.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes that local government will have a decrease in expenditures by avoiding the costs of booking and processing defendant whose charges are dismissed or are found not guilty. The court and the TBI also avoid the process of clearing the records of persons who had charges dismissed or were found not guilty.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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